GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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PRICES OF ARECANUT
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken note of the decline in price of arecanut; and

(b) if so, the details of measures taken/contemplated by the Government to overcome the price fall?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) & (b) Based on representations received from growers of arecanut in the country, the Government has increased the basic customs duty on import of arecanut from 35% to 100% , on 7-7-2000. This should help arrest the decline in the prices of arecanut.